Commissioner's Weekly Wrap Up

DCS Communications Office

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This Week In Central Office

Saturday, March 27

Commissioner Miller attended the Family-to-Family North Nashville community forum held at Gordon Memorial Methodist Church in partnership with Fisk University. A corresponding editorial was published in the Thursday edition of the *Tennessean:*

http://tennessean.com/opinion/columnists/lewis/

Monday, March 29

Commissioner Miller participated in the *TennHelp* press conference and TCSW spring training conference at the Lowes Vanderbilt Plaza in Nashville.

Wednesday, March 31

Commissioner Miller visited the Mid-Cumberland region!

Thursday, April 1

Governor Phil Bredesen signed a proclamation declaring April *Child Abuse Prevention Month* in Tennessee.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday, April 7 & Wednesday, April 8

Commissioner Miller will attend the monthly Regional Administrator's meeting at TPS in Nashville.

Thursday, April 9

- Commissioner Miller will attend Governor's Prayer Breakfast in Nashville
- Later that afternoon, she will attend Governor Bredesen's Truancy Roundtable, which will be held at McGavock High School in Nashville.



- ➤ Looking for statewide Child Abuse Prevention Month events? Check out the new DCS web homepage: www.state.tn.us/youth
- Click the following link to review the corresponding press release: http://www.state.tn.us/youth/news_room/news/April_Release.htm
- ➤ Please take advantage of this special month by encouraging your local news media to air or print your local DCS office number or the Central Intake hotline number (877-237-0004) when ever possible and to encourage your community to be vigilant in reporting suspected child abuse.
- Also take the time to thank your CPS, Central Intake and SIU staff for all of their hard work and dedication to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of Tennessee's children!

Communications Update!

✓ Has your local newspaper featured Child Abuse Prevention Month with an article
or editorial? If so, please have one person in your office fax a copy to the
communications team! We would love to read what local media is saying about
this special month ... Thanks!

Fax: 615-532-3586

✓ Thank you for emailing us your favorite motivational and leadership quotes! Please continue sending them to: <u>Sarah.beth.davis@state.tn.us</u>. Please be sure to type "Motivational Quote" in the subject line. Thanks!

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Life should not be measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the **moments** that **take our breath**.

~Author unknown

Problems are only **opportunities** in work clothes.

~Henry Kaiser

The greatest **danger** for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that it is too low and we reach it.

~Author unknown

To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends;

To appreciate beauty; to find the best in others; to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived; That is to have succeeded.

~Ralph Waldo Emerson